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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Your job is to protect the public's access the internet, not merely to cater to the corporate profits of bloated media giants. We need to keep the field open and provide for real competition among internet providers - especially when it comes to providing access to smaller communities.

Local broadband is vital to this, and you must protect it.

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